

SENATE RESOLUTION 31  
By Williams

A RESOLUTION to honor Ron Kerr of Flat Gap on successfully establishing and operating the Swop Shop.

WHEREAS, it is the great pleasure of this General Assembly to specially recognize those proprietors of institutions that have become cultural icons in their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, Ron Kerr, owner and proprietor of the Swop Shop, is one such remarkable individual; and

WHEREAS, billed as a shop where one can find almost anything, the Swop Shop contains an eclectic assortment of all manner of items, not the least of which are cars, airplane components, antique washing machines, and varied cultural artifacts; and

WHEREAS, a Louisiana native, Ron Kerr moved to Hancock County in the late 1970s; and

WHEREAS, after migrating to East Tennessee, Ron Kerr set up shop alongside Highway 33 near Sneedville; he has prospered in that location for more than two years; and

WHEREAS, an extremely affable and welcoming man, Ron Kerr takes great pride in showcasing his many diverse items to all interested parties and prospective customers; and

WHEREAS, the Swop Shop is a veritable time machine for its patrons, transporting them backwards in time and surrounding them with items both rustic and urban; and

WHEREAS, Ron Kerr's Swop Shop will certainly continue to prosper for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pay tribute to Mr. Kerr for providing such a valuable cultural and economic service to the people of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and salute Ron Kerr, owner and proprietor of the Swop Shop, for his valuable contributions to both the economic prosperity and unique cultural flavor of the State of Tennessee, and wish him much continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.